



Learning from the past to protect the future.
Alabama Department of Public Health
State Team Meeting Minutes

January 16, 2014

State Team Members Present:

Scott Belton (Proxy-Michael Sparks-AL Dept. of Forensic Sciences)
Sgt. Marc Boyd (Proxy-Colonel John Richardson-AL Dept. of Public Safety)
Aretha Bracy (ADPH Staff) (Proxy-Representative Jim McClendon-Chair of House Health Committee)
Richard Burleson (ADPH Staff) (Proxy-Dr. Don Williamson-State Health Officer)
Acquanetta Knight (Proxy-Commissioner Jim Reddoch-AL Dept. of Mental Health)
Bill Franklin (AL Sheriff's Association Representative)
Marian Loftin (Private Citizen)
Gina South (AL Network of Children's Advocacy Centers)
Bobby Timmons (AL Sheriff's Association Appointee)
Jerry Williams (Private Citizen)

Guests/Staff Present:

Folashadé Ayanwale (ADPH Staff)
Wendy Caraway (ADPH Staff)
Dr. Jim McVay (ADPH Staff)
Alton D. Stone (ADPH Staff)
Theresa Wilson (ADPH Staff)
Dr. Albert Woolbright (ADPH Staff)

Conference Call:

Kathy Monroe, M.D. (Medical Association of the State of AL)
Debra Williams, M.D. (AL Academy of Pediatrics)
Dale Wisely, Ph.D. (Private Citizen)
Ernest Wood (Private Citizen)

Call to Order

On January 16, 2014, at approximately 1:00 PM at the Alabama Industrial Development Training (AIDT) Center in Montgomery, Alabama, the Alabama Child Death Review System (ACDRS) State Team meeting was called to order by Aretha Bracy.

Welcome of Members and Guests

Ms. Aretha Bracy welcomed everyone and introductions were made by those in attendance.

Old Business

State Team Membership Update

Ms. Bracy reported the five vacant positions to include a Health Professional with child abuse expertise, a Family Practice Physician, a Coroner's Association representative, the reappointment of Dr. Kathy Monroe representing the Pediatric Emergency Medicine Specialist's position and a Chief of Police representative.

Approval of Past Minutes

The minutes for January 17, 2013, April 18, 2013, July 18, 2013 conference call, and October 17, 2013 were approved via electronic vote.

Case Status Update

Ms. Bracy presented the Case Status Report and Team Performance for 2008 and 2009. The annual report for 2008-2009 is now available online. The 2010-2011 report will be available by the end of 2014. She also reported a 58% completion rate for 2010 cases with 17 teams at 100% completion rate. For 2011, 299 cases qualified with a 28% completion rate and nine teams with a 100% completion rate. We are still receiving cases for 2012 and 281 qualified for review (13% completion rate). The deadline for 2010-2011 cases is April 1, 2014. There are six teams that have not met since 2008. To combat this problem Theresa has reached out to the DAs in that area. Richard and Aretha attended the DAs "winter conference" on January 22, in Birmingham to speak with DAs about CDR and offer assistance.

COIIN Update

The deadline for the COIIN initiative was December 2013 but the project was granted an extension until August 2014.

SADD Update

Folashadé has been working with the Department of Transportation to solidify continuous funding for the Students Against Destructive Decisions program. DOT has committed to \$100,000 of funding; permanent contracts are being processed. The SADD program also received \$50,000 worth funding from State Farm which will be used for SADD conferences and events. SADD North Alabama takes place as a three-day event in Anniston, Gadsden, and Centre on March 4th-7th.

New Business

Biennial Training Conference is scheduled for September 2014 in south Alabama or the last location, The Wynfrey Hotel.

Child Passenger Clinic administered by Alabama Head Injury Foundation through ADPH is continuing as usual, however the administering entity will solely be ADPH soon. AHIF organization has begun to downsize and cannot administer program without and administrative fee.

Youth Suicide program (SAMSHA) has expanded the 2nd and 3rd QPR training. Currently there are three sub-grantees with a possibility of adding a fourth.

After a discussion of the 2014 Recommendations, Dr. Wisely recommended adding “Teen Driving Contracts,” and that they are used as “Best Practices.” State Team members agreed to send any additional edits, recommendations, or suggestions to Ms. Bracy for consideration at the next meeting.

Dr. Woolbright provided 2012 Mortality data for Alabama in a PowerPoint and packet format

2014 Meeting Dates

- **Thursday, April 17, 2014**
- **Thursday, July 24, 2014**
- **Thursday, September 18, 2014**

The proposed dates and meeting location would remain until further notice.

Open Discussion

Executive Session (if necessary)

An executive session was not called during this meeting.

Adjourn

There being no further items on the agenda and no further discussion requested, without objection, the meeting was adjourned.